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# BANTAM CHAMPICN A PERFECT ATHLETE

Johnny Buff Title Holder at Age When Most Boxers Are Through.

WHERE HE DEVELOPED

Picturesque Career Started in Fire House Near Home in Jersey City.

Athletically speaking, most men are old at 31. Not only old, but through.

By beating Pete Herman in a fifteen ound bout in Madison Square Garden world's bantamweight champion. He was already flyweight champion of the United States. Now he is America's only double champion, Yet June 12 last was his thirty-first birthday, At a stage when the average boxer begins to faiter Johnny Buff had just begun to fight. He never had an important fight until he was 26. He was 36 when he won the flyweight title. No quick turns for him; be literally battered his way up, and the battering process left him unscarred except for a slight corrugation of the

he itterfully battered his way up, and the battering process left him unscarred except for a slight corrugation of the left ear, which is not a blemish but the badge of honor of a pugilist. Otherwise, said a doctor who examined him the other day, he is physically perfect.

In Gammontown they tell you Johnny Buff is a family man and a stolid citizen. Gammontown is a tehement and factory district of lower Jersey City, toeing New York Harbor. Buff is a product of Gammontown, and there he expects to stay. The street he lives on, Warren street, would, if extended, run right into the Statue of Liberty. As you stand in front of his home and look down the street the statue appears to rise from the dead centre of it. The day after he licked Herman Johnny rowed out to the statue and caught thirty-three crabs, which he took home for supper. That's his sport.

Rumor has credited Johnny Buff with three children. This was premature. He has been married only two years and he only child, James Adams Lasky, is clight months old. Some time ago a photographer went over to get pictures of Johnny and his family. The idea that there were three children was so firmly fixed in his head that Johnny obligingly borrowed a nephew and niece to add to his own group. But there's only one. This reporter has it on the authority of Johnny and his wife and of the assembled firemen of Engine Company No. 2, all of whom are, in a manner of speaking, go fethers of James Adams Lasky, babe in arms.

In some ways Johnny Buff is an extraordinary being. It would appear from inspection of photographs accompanying this story that he wears no jewelry. This is a fact, or was so at least when the man from The New York Herardo, taked with him. Did you ever before see a prosperous fighter in his "street clothes" who did not sport a handful of sparklers about his person? Not so Johnny: no scarfpin, no ring of any kind; well fitted clothes, jaunty hat, ply in dark tie, but nary a gimerack. Every report makes him out a sober, modest man who takes his profession seriously and, with the help of his banker—his wife—intends to save his money and have a competence laid by for the future.

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# Yacht Racing Season Closes With Wind Unfavorable.

Special Desnatch to THE NEW YORK HEMAIN.
OTHER BAT, L. I., Oct 1.—The racing season of the Seawanhaka-Corinhan Yacht Club came to an end here to-day with an interesting regatta for all classes of the club's fleet. The wind was light and from the northwest, giving the yachtsmen not the best of weather for their final regatta. The feature was the race among the fish hoats, and the winner was the Grunt, the property of F. D. M. Strachan. It was the first time this summer that the yacht has won, as its owner, who salled the boat to-day, generally gaces his forty footer Monsson in the open regattas on the Sound. The summary:
FISH CLASS—START, 3:30-OUTSIDE CURSE.

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Bangos, M., Oct. 1.—The open season on deer begar at sunrise to-day. Lack of frost made it no'sy underfoot in the

Smiles Radiate in Family of Little Johnny Buff



first turn and moved up in the back-stretch at his rider's bidding to engage Tryster. He raced head and head with last season's two-year-old champion around the second turn, and drew away easily in the stretch to win by four

A capacity crowd was out for the closing and loudly applauded J. F. Johnson owner of the Quincy Stable, who donated \$1,000 of the carnings to the St. Patrick's Catholic Church of this village.

# ROD AND GUN NEWS

# BOY HARRIERS RACE | What Yanks Have Done FOR P. S. A. L. TITLE

Twenty Teams Try for Championship Honors at Van Cortlandt Park.

The inaugural series of autumn cross-country runs of the P. S. A. L. for high school to ams were decided over the new flat course at Van Cortiand Park yesterday. Twenty schools were represented. Sevente on finished with their full teams. Including second string harriers, more than 44 boys raced over the course, which enbraced two and a half miles of territory circling the parade grounds.

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On the left is shown Johnny Buff, world's bentam and American flyweight champion, holding his behy.

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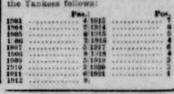
Captain Alcock Easily

Winner of \$10,000 Stake

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# in Nineteen Seasons

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